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Governor MacKay Honors Phil Lewis at Eissey Campus Ceremony

Gov. Buddy MacKay presents a Heartland Award to former State Senator Phil Lewis.

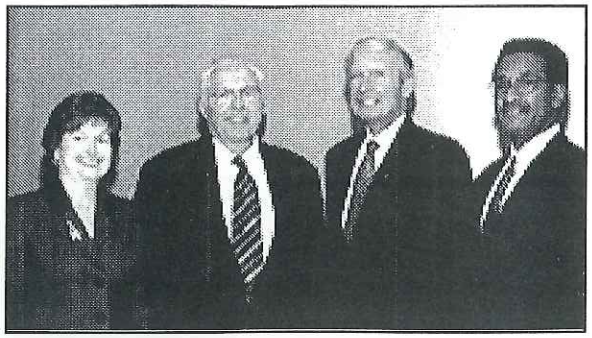
In his first official act, Governor Buddy MacKay presented a Heartland Award to former State Senator Philip D. Lewis at a luncheon held December 17 at PBCC's Eissey Campus Theatre. The award, originated by the late Governor Lawton Chiles and his wife Rhea, recognizes Lewis for his long record of community service and efforts to improve education.

Several College and community officials were on hand as Lewis was honored. Though he retired from the Florida Legislature in 1980, Lewis' strong commitment to public service has continued over the years. Currently, he is a member of the Florida Board of Regents, which sets the policy for the state's public university system. He also chaired the Florida Board of Community Colleges and served on the Postsecondary Education Planning Commission.

In 1989, Palm Beach Community College recognized Lewis for his long-standing contributions by naming a building at PBCC's Palm Beach Gardens Campus in his honor. Today, the Philip D. Lewis Center for Business and Industry Technology houses the campus' respiratory care, medical imaging and computer technology as well as other business and technical curriculums.

The Heartland Award features a print of the Myakka River based on an oil painting by former first lady Rhea Chiles. Previously, longtime PBCC Trustees Dolly and Homer Hand received the award in 1997.

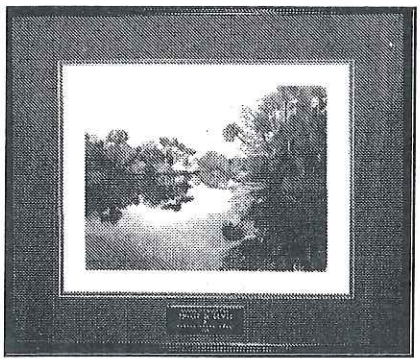
PBCC Coordinator of Student Programs and Florida State Representative Addie L. Greene is pictured with Gov. MacKay.



L-R: PBCC Eissey Campus Provost Patricia Anderson, Phil Lewis, PBCC Trustees Chair Harry A. Johnston and PBCC President Dennis P. Gallon.

Gov. MacKay and PBCC Vice President, Administration and Business Services Richard Becker.

L-R: Gov. MacKay and his wife Anne, former PBCC Trustee M.J. Steele and Carl Steele.



The Heartland Award presented to Lewis.

L-R: Carl Steele, Gov. MacKay and M.J. Steele.

PBCC Trustees are pictured with Gov. MacKay L-R: J. Max Davis; Harry A. Johnston, Esq., chair; Ann Marie Rezzonico, Esq.; Gov. MacKay; Elaine Johnson James, Esq., vice chair; and Homer J. Hand.

L-R: PBCC Director of Governmental Relations/Executive Assistant to the President Erin McColskey, First Lady Anne MacKay, Gov. MacKay and Eissey Campus Provost Patricia Anderson.